Soul Coughing, Mr. Bitterness

There is a bar they call The Bitter Sea. And she sits and drinks a velvet crush--that's Kool Aid and gin--casing the clientele Like a relentless cameraman. She is Elsewhere. She says You keep a-knocking But you can't come in, and I say Little Sister, don't you do what your Big Sister does

Spiral down down down down down down

Well desire looks just like you with an uzi nine Gundown fifteen bystanders in a roadside driveby Desire is the grassfire drinking gasoline And she says Open up your mouth, man, let me come inside

Spiral down down down down down down

She cracked Now they call me Mr. Bitterness She snapped Now they call me Mr. Bitterness She's gone, Gone gone

Aaah, leaning up against the wall I will lash out dancing like a madman when you're gone I will spit the blue flame and hurl my glass against the wall And I will hear your name coming out from a boom box I will hear your name called out from passing cars

Spiral down down down down down down

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